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Applicant : Harold R. Blomquist  
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GROUP 3600 GENERATING MATERIAL FOR A  
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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.116(b)**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 5, 2002  
please amend the application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please amend claim 1 as follows:

1. (Twice amended) An apparatus comprising;  
a vehicle occupant protection device;  
a gas generating material, which upon combustion  
produces a gas product that actuates said vehicle occupant